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## Junior Class Rocked By Ring Week Pranks

Ringweek '95



By Beth McConnell  
Bulletin Assistant News Editor

Upon entering Mason Hall, a visitor reads a sign suspended over the front desk by a line of knotted pantyhose: "Welcome to Junior Ring Week Wendy!"

Juniors have come to expect that none of their property, including their bodies, is sacred during the week before Ring Presentation Ceremony. Tradition requires seniors, sophomores and freshmen to pull as many practical jokes on their junior friends as possible, to celebrate the juniors' receiving their college rings at the end of the week. Students have continued the tradition this year with gusto.

One junior attempted to stop his persecutors this year. Sye Smith, a resident assistant at Mason Hall, was on duty March 27 when his residents entered his room through the bathroom, took Smith's room door off its hinges, carried it outside and hid it behind the dorm.

"[Smith] barricaded himself in his room and was putting up the best defense [of all the junior RAs in Mason], so we put up our best strategy against it," said freshman Bernie Bilsky.

According to Bilsky, Smith saw the damage and ran outside to find his door. Campus police were called, said Smith, but he does not know who called them although police told him that a female from Mason called.

Campus police soon entered the dorm, according to freshman James Kreegan, who was in the front lobby in a dorm meeting. When the police told him they would charge the entire dorm for the cost of the door, he called his friends who removed the door and told them to put the door back where the police could find it.

Bilsky said the police, followed by Smith, then went door to door, knocking at each room on the second floor and questioning the residents about the incident.

"They asked where the door was, who was involved. One [police officer] wanted to start issuing citations, but the other one convinced him not to," said Bilsky.

Bilsky said he admitted to taking



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the door, and then suggested having a floor meeting with Smith alone to discuss the situation, without the police.

Although this incident angered Smith, he played along with his

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Clockwise from left: A group of swimmers prepares to dunk two teammates in the fountain after their class in Monroe Hall Wednesday night. Duct tape was the favorite instrument of torture during the week; no junior's residence escaped the wrath of vindictive pranksters, on- or off-campus. This model forewarns junior housemates of impending doom awaiting them inside; Jill Chamberlin gracefully navigates through her ravaged dorm room. Many juniors accepted the fact they would just have to grin and bear it; Although it's written in sticky, messy shaving cream, this is a message of love. Pranks could be seen as a way of giving juniors attention and expressing friendship, or perhaps simply giving them a hard time for getting out of school in a year.

## Academic Calendar Pending Change

By Kinney Horn  
Bulletin Staff Writer

The academic calendar for the Fall 1995 semester is facing revisions from the president's office. Next semester's students could lose the long weekend at Fall Break but would gain an extra vacation day over Thanksgiving. In addition, students could have a two-week exam schedule.

"The president's office will make an announcement about the calendar next week," said Edward Piper, dean of academic services.

According to Piper, the Office of Academic Affairs is also exploring the possibility of an expanded exam schedule for next

year. Barbara Palmer, dean of the faculty, said that the administration consulted the faculty about the changes. "There was mostly a favorable response [from the faculty]," she said.

Despite the fact that the calendar has yet to be changed, students are already expressing opinions over the possibility of a lengthened Thanksgiving break.

Freshman Sean Wilmer said that combining the two breaks would not be a favorable change.

"I like going home for a week and then one month later going back for a few days," he said.

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## RAs React To Anderson's New Alcohol Tolerance

By Adam Fike  
Bulletin News Editor

College President William M. Anderson, Jr. met with a large group of Residence Life staff members Wednesday to answer complaints that statements he made in last week's Bulletin led students to disregard resident assistants' authority when it comes to drinking on campus.

Anderson's recent response to student drinking is an increase in student privacy without a change in drinking policy. The basis of this, he says, is a flexibility in an RA's approach to dealing with their residents, gained by using their own judgment to deal with students rather than automatically writing them up.

"I don't think that you ought to mind walking into a room and saying, 'This is how I'm going to act in this situation,'" Anderson told RAs at the meeting. "You're smart - that's why we put you there, and that's how you got into this school. You ought to be able to use your own judgment."

RAs feel that Anderson saying this puts them in a questionable position, trapping them between enforcing rules and loosening guidelines as Anderson directs.

"The way [Anderson] makes it seem, RAs are crazy to write people up while the administration would let them drink as they want," said Lauren Reid, an RA in Mason Hall.

RAs at the meeting told Anderson that comments such as that there was nothing wrong with finding beer in refrigerators during a tour of dorms over spring break, undermine their ability to enforce rules concerning alcohol. Now that students feel that they have been given permission by the president to drink, RAs are forced to police students more, putting them in a difficult position.

Anderson responded by telling the RAs not to relax their enforcement of the rules, but to allow a certain amount of partying as long as it does not grow destructive.

"What goes on in a person's private room, as long as it's not disruptive to the rest of the student body, and as long as it doesn't create any unsafe conditions, is in my opinion the students doing their part to work with the RAs to run a sound environment within the residence halls," he said.

One residence life staffer pointed out that it is no longer possible to not write up students for rule violations and still maintain order in the dorm.

"There are some situations in which you will write students up. I'm not saying there aren't," Anderson said. "I'm saying that the RAs should have the flexibility to be able to deal in these situations."

Anderson pointed out that RAs are asked to fill roles as a counselor, a friend and a mentor, and do a lot in their roles as RAs.

"It seems to me an RA ought to have latitude to use common sense in terms of how they deal with a situation," he said. "If a situation ought to be written up, write it up."

Members of the audience told Anderson that RAs already have room to use their judgment when situations arise.

"If you do it already, that's fine," he said, "but the situation that was raised with me didn't indicate that."

State law indicates that people under 21 cannot drink, but according to Anderson common sense dictates that not everybody will abide by that. Rather than force students to drink elsewhere, Anderson would keep students on campus where campus groups might find alternative activities to entertain students.

"We work hard trying to not run a campus that says that students won't be students and young people won't be young people," Anderson said. "It's unfortunate that fun in too many cases means being one on one with alcohol," he said.

Anderson's goals include increased activities on campus, including dances and competitions



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President Anderson meets with the Residence Life staff to discuss the RAs' role in confronting alcohol violations.

among the classes to give alternatives to drinking for something to do. The focus would be especially strong on freshmen adjusting to their lives out of high school, Anderson said.

"It is our responsibility to work with people so that they will have healthy lifestyles that lend to productive lives. That's the middle ground that I'm talking about, that's what we're looking for," he said.

"My personal opinion is that as long as we get students to help one another the better off the college is," he said. "And as long as we can get

students to work together, support each other and take responsibility for their actions, it gives a lot of flexibility in the things we can do."

Anderson commented on a recent dance in Westmoreland Hall in which a considerable amount of drinking was involved.

"That was an opportunity to take Westmoreland and create an environment within the dorm that really built a lot of dorm spirit," Anderson said.

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## Faculty Advisory Duties Possibly Altered In Future

By Beth McConnell  
Assistant News Editor

Faculty teaching freshman-level courses next year may be assigned to be advisors to their freshmen students rather than having the choice to volunteer to be an advisor, as in the former 50/50 mentor program, according to Dean of Academic Services Edward Piper.

Citing problems within the 50/50 mentor program, such as lack of communication between students and mentors, Piper said he hoped that the changes, recommended to the Task Force on Academic Advising chaired by Dean of Faculty Barbara Palmer, would facilitate interaction between the student and advisor.

"Instructors of first-year students will have ongoing contact [with the advisees] because the freshmen will be in [their] advisor's class. They will

have natural, regular contact," said Piper, who is chair of the 50/50 Mentor Program Review Committee.

According to recommendations submitted by the review committee to the task force, students expressing interest in a particular discipline may also be paired with faculty advisors in that discipline.

"For students who indicate [an interest in] a definite major, we'd make sure they had an advisor in that discipline. Now advisors are randomly assigned," said Piper.

By assigning professors to be freshman advisors, the advising responsibilities would be distributed more equally, since more professors teach freshmen courses than volunteer to be 50/50 advisors, according to Piper.

"[With] more faculty involved,

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# News Briefs

- The Multicultural Fair Committee needs the help of all students, staff and faculty to help place posters in area restaurants and stores. Posters are available in the Multicultural Center and the Post Office.
- A non-refundable registration fee for the "MWC in Urbino, Italy" trip is due on March 31. For additional information contact Clavio Ascarei, 654-4707 or Joseph DiBella, 654-4994.
- MWC Housing Selection will be held in the Great Hall and Meeting Room 1 in the Campus Center on April 4, 5 and 6, 6 p.m.-midnight, and in Meeting Room 2 on April 4, 5 and 6, 3-5 p.m. For more information, contact Residence Life at 899-4673.
- Performances of the musical "Into the Woods" will be held in Klein Theatre, duPont Hall, March 30-April 2 at 8 p.m. and April 2 at 2 p.m. Admission is \$4 for students and senior citizens and \$8 for general admission. For more information call (703) 899-4330.
- A forum on "Race Relations in the 1990s — a Glimpse Through the Eyes of Mary Washington College" will be held in Lee Hall Ballroom, April 5 at 7 p.m., free admission.
- Donald L. Shaw, professor of Spanish at the University of Virginia, will lecture on "Borges and the Writer's Task" on April 5 in the Red Room, Woodard Campus Center at 8 p.m., free.
- The Multicultural Fair will feature music, food and crafts of various cultures April 8 on Campus Walk from 10 a.m.-5 p.m., free.
- Wayne Lord, doctor of forensic sciences at the FBI Academy, will lecture on "Forensic Entomology: The Use of Insects in the Analysis of Violent Crimes" on April 10 in Combs Hall, room 100 at 4 p.m., free.
- The Film and Lecture Series, sponsored by the English, Linguistics and Speech Department, will screen the film "Angie" on April 10 in Chandler Hall, room 102 at 7 p.m., free.
- Herbert Josephs will lecture on "Figaro and Don Juan: Comedy, Opera and Revolution" on April 10 in Pollard Hall, room 309 at 8 p.m., free.
- MWC Police Department is sponsoring R.A.D. classes for women only on March 30, April 6, 9, 13, 16, 20, 23 and 30 from 7-10 p.m. Classes are free for MWC students and \$15 for non-students. Participants should wear loose fitting clothing and tennis shoes. For more information or to register call MWC Police Department at 899-4634 or stop by 104B Lee Hall.
- The Central Virginia Chapter of the Institute of Internal Auditors is awarding three \$500 scholarships to juniors interested in internal auditing. Applicants should submit an application form, a copy of their school transcript, a recommendation from at least one faculty member and a brief essay on "The Value of Internal Auditing in Today's Marketplace." For further information or to obtain an application, contact Helen Vanderland at 654-1042. Application deadline is March 31.
- Currently enrolled students in good standing are invited to enter The Christophers' Annual Video Contest with cash prizes totaling \$8,500. Productions should be five minutes or less in length and submitted on 3/4 inch or VHS cassette. The deadline for entries is June 9. Official entry forms are available from College Mass Media or Communication Departments and from The Christophers, 12 East 48th Street, New York, NY 10017 or call (212) 759-4050.
- Six to 10 sophomore, junior or senior college students of good standing will be selected to attend the Historic Deerfield Summer Fellowship in Early American History and Material Culture in Deerfield, Mass. from mid-June to mid-August. Each applicant appointed to the program is awarded a fellowship, which covers tuition, books and field trip expenses. The fee for room and board for nine weeks is \$1750, financial aid is available as needed. Completed applications are due April 1. Interested students should request a Fellowship brochure and application by writing to Dr. Kenneth Hafertepe, Director of Academic Programs, Historic Deerfield, Mass. 01342 or call (413) 774-5581.
- The National Library of Poetry has announced that \$24,000 in prizes will be awarded this year to over 250 poets in the North American Open Poetry Contest. To enter, send one original poem to the National Library of Poetry, 11419 Cronridge Dr., P.O. Box 704-1983, Owings Mills, MD 21117. The poem should be no more than 20 lines and the poet's name and address should appear on the top of the page. The deadline is March 31.
- American Hiking Society is looking for people who want to combine a vacation of excitement and fun with hard work as a part of the Volunteer Vacations program. Volunteers should be experienced hikers, 18 years of age or older and physically able to backpack and work hard. Host agencies provide safety equipment, tools and workmen's compensation insurance. A \$50 registration fee is payable along with the application. Contact AHS Volunteer Vacations, P.O. Box 20160, Washington, D.C. 20041-2160 or call (703) 319-0084 to obtain trip schedules and applications.
- Full-time MWC juniors or seniors may apply for the Mary Siegrist Hinz Leadership Award by sending applications to the Associate Dean for Financial Aid, Lee Hall 301 or call 654-4684. Detailed brochures may be obtained from Financial Aid. Application deadline is April 7.
- Eligible juniors for the Jeannine Mary Pfeifle Memorial Scholarship should submit a letter of application to the Vice President for Admissions and Financial Aid by April 7. Questions should be directed to Martin Wilder, Lee 201, 654-4681.
- Students interested in the J. William Fulbright Foreign Scholarship can obtain complete program and application information from Raman Singh, Chandler 311. Full grants provide round-trip international travel, maintenance for the tenure of the award, a research allowance and tuition waivers. Travel grants provide round-trip international travel to the country where the student will pursue study or research. All grants include health and accident insurance. Application deadline is Oct. 23.

# POLICE BEAT

By Jeremy Cline  
Bulletin Staff Writer

## Drugs

• On March 21 a juvenile non-student was found to be in possession of marijuana near Route 1 and Mary Washington Boulevard.

• On March 27 some marijuana was found on the ground outside of the Great Hall during a concert.

## Injury/Illness

• On March 25 a student put his/her hand through the glass in a telephone booth in Jefferson Hall. The individual was transported by squad to the emergency room. The incident has been referred to the administration.

• On March 25 a student was injured when he/she hit his/her

foot on a manhole cover. The individual was transported by squad to the emergency room.

## Vandalism

• On March 22 a vehicle window was broken on College Avenue.

• On March 27 a non-student's car was vandalized with shaving cream and toilet paper.

## Harassing/Annoying Phone Calls

• On March 23 there was a police information report of some annoying phone calls that were received off campus.

• On March 23 there was a report of harassing phone calls to Willard Hall. The incident is still under investigation.

• On March 26 there was a report of harassing phone calls to Randolph

Hall. The incident is still under investigation.

## Theft

• On March 22 two signs were stolen from the Willard-Monroe parking lot. The signs were valued at \$150 apiece.

• On March 26 several CDs were stolen from Alvey Hall. Their value was estimated at \$400.

## Misc.

• On March 22 a fire alarm was set off in Jefferson Hall when someone burned a pan.

• On March 27 police received a report from a student in Mason Hall that she found several items of clothing in her room that did not belong to her.

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Anderson said he spoke with many residents of Westmoreland who agreed that the dance had positive effects in dorm

unity. RAs at the meeting asked Anderson about the considerable gray areas that this new direction might cause and how to deal with them.

"I would personally rather have the inconsistency and rely on the judgment of the RAs than have everything uniform, where everything is done just the same," he said.

Anderson also suggested that in the future residence life training in about what they personally believe the rules say, interpreting them together.

One RA asked why paying close attention to what residents were doing, such as listening closely to doors along the halls, was not included

in an RA's discretion.

"It's a two-way street," said Anderson. "You tell students you want them to act in a responsible way and that their room is their private place," he said. "I don't think they ought to sit in that room worrying who is going to break through their door at any moment."

Another RA noted that Anderson often spoke in terms of changes occurring next year, but what seems to be Anderson's permission to drink this year pulls the rug out from under his authority with residents. Anderson stressed that the alcohol policy still remains the same.

"If you see somebody in your area that's

conducting themselves in an inappropriate way, using alcohol and disrupting the area, you have a responsibility to write that person up," Anderson said.

Policy will remain the same concerning dry freshman dorms, though he notes that there is little difference between a freshman drinking underage and sophomore or junior doing the same thing.

"In a dry residence hall the policy stays the same," Anderson said. "If you know about it you have to write them up."

Toward the meeting's end RAs pointed out to Anderson that the attitude in Jefferson Hall among students during their 'Spring Fling' dance last weekend was that according to Anderson's remarks in the Bulletin, they were allowed to act as they wanted concerning alcohol.

The result, they said, was a party which was out of control and a student with a severely cut hand who had to be rushed to the hospital.

Anderson remembered a similar situation four years ago when parties were banned in Jefferson. "I think students have to know that when we are talking about being responsible for their actions and being responsible for one another. When that doesn't happen you are not allowed to have these parties," Anderson said. "If you don't live up to expectations on both sides of the equation -- if you as students individually and collectively don't meet the expectations -- then you don't have all the freedom."

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residents the next night, when they attached him and another RA to a lamp post between Randolph and Mason Halls with Saran Wrap. Bilsky said Smith declared them "even."

Smith is not the only RA victim of Junior Ring Week in Mason Hall.

"We're taking it with a grain of salt. We're not getting mad," said junior Angie Tweedy, a Mason Hall RA.

Because of Smith's complaints, campus police have visited Mason Hall Monday and Tuesday nights, according to Tom Richards, area coordinator.

Their visits prompted Richards to call a dorm meeting Wednesday night.

"We're hoping for no arrests. Some of these things are getting malicious and ugly. Junior Ring Week cannot be used as a defense in a court of law. We need to find a place to draw the line," said Richards.

*"Sure, some of the stuff is malicious. But it would have been more fun if he hadn't blown up. It's a shame that it might get spoiled."*

—Cambre Pursur  
Mason Hall President

Some residents felt that Smith should expect and accept being pranked on this week.

"I think he's taking it a bit too hard. I think the fact he's taking steps

to stop us has encouraged us more," said freshman Jeff Jennings, a Mason Hall resident.

"Basically we can't do anything that would get us in trouble with the law. We're freshmen experiencing a new tradition," said dorm president Cambre Pursur.

"Sure, some of the stuff is malicious. But it would have been more fun if he hadn't blown up. It's a shame that it might get spoiled."

Smith replied that while he agrees with keeping up the custom, he believes that some limits must be set in order to prevent damage to personal property and invasions of privacy.

"I agree with tradition in the sense that it is fun to play jokes. But when they enter a person's domain and do things causing damages, that's asking a lot of a person," said Smith.

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[we're] making sure we don't overload the faculty. Now there will be six or seven freshmen per faculty member, instead of three times that many," said Zaidman.

The new system would also eliminate the need for administrators to serve as academic advisors, said Stephen Stageberg, associate professor of economics, who also served on the review committee.

"There are not enough advisors at the present time, not enough teaching faculty. The administrators volunteer out of the kindness of their hearts. [But] they're not particularly appropriate to advise," said Stageberg.

Hall said that one of the problems within the present system is that students and their advisors usually do not have enough contact throughout the year, seeing one another only when the students need course scheduling funds signed.

"They don't know each other. The students say they can't find [advisers]. It was a meaningless hoop they had to jump through," said Hall.

Students who do not consult their assigned 50/50 mentors usually find someone to help them without discipline of interest, said committee member Marsha Zaidman, associate professor of computer science. Zaidman said the committee studied a survey of seniors which reported that by their second year, most students sought advice from other professors in their discipline, not their assigned mentor.

This causes problems when the

student-chosen faculty member does not have necessary background information on the student that an assigned mentor would have, according to Zaidman.

"If [the student] goes to someone else, [that person] doesn't have the records, SATs or current grades to consult. If she is more informed the advisor can help better," said Zaidman.

Zaidman said that a advising freshmen is not "overly burdensome." In fact, her advising load will decrease.

"The added work is all a matter of perspective. I traditionally have volunteered and said anywhere from 15-18 advisees. [In the new program] we would be assigned six people per professor. For me, I'm looking at less work," said Zaidman.

Piper said that the faculty handbook states that advising students is part of each faculty member's duties, including undeclared students.

"The committee didn't consider [they were] adding on work. It was already part of their jobs. [This] distributes the responsibility more

equitably," said Piper.

Hall said that the faculty would receive training and instruction on advising freshmen, as the 50/50 volunteers have in the past, but they probably would not receive any compensation for the advising.

"Six or seven [additional advisees] is not enormous. They're in the professor's class anyway. This is a very slight add-on to what the professor would have done [such as helping the students during office hours]," said Hall.

Piper said that Sally Braxton, director of academic advising, prepared an advising handbook for use by the 50/50 mentors last year and would be used next semester for the new freshmen advisors.

Bernard Mahoney, professor of chemistry, said that he enjoys advising students and does not foresee the added advisees as an undue burden.

"I realize it will increase my work load, but I happen to enjoy advising. It is one of the most important things a faculty member can do to provide a student direction. I usually advise the students in my classes anyway," said

Mahoney.

Debra Steckler, associate professor of psychology, agreed with Mahoney.

"It's not a burden. The job is about the students... Most of us in the psychology department advise their students in general anyway. This just makes that official," said Steckler.

However, Gardner Campbell, assistant professor of English, expressed concern over the proposed changes.

"As a first-year faculty member, I would not like to see the workload increase without some compensation such as time off or money. I've not heard anything about receiving adequate training [for advising freshmen]. I've never received any training at this institution on advising," said Campbell.

Connie Smith, senior lecturer in English, said that almost all English professors, including full-time, part-time and adjuncts, teach a Writing Workshop, a class designed exclusively for freshmen to help develop their writing skills. Adjuncts and part-time professors would probably not be good advisors because they are not as familiar with college regulations, said Smith. Also, professors would accumulate more and more advisees, she said.

"Some professors teach Writing Workshop semester after semester. Eventually, their advisees would add up over the years. There are a lot of bugs that [the review committee] have not thought through yet," said Smith.

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For other students, having a longer break provides them the opportunity to return home to see their families. "I like having a longer break so that students who live long distance away can go home for Thanksgiving," said junior Heidi Ferrell.

Ferrell also said that the extended exam schedule would allow students increased time to prepare for exams.

"This new idea makes exams more tolerable, and if the process does not work, we can always change it," said freshman Mike Whalen.

Sophomore Jamie Simpson welcomed the change. "I like [the idea]. I always have tons of exams crunched up together, and I never have time to pack at the end of the semester. All my friends go out to parties and I am always stuck f---ing studying," said Simpson.

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# OPINIONS

## The Effects Of Change

When students rally for change, the foremost concern in their minds is themselves. "We don't like the food and it costs too much, so let's find someone better than ARA," or "We think the drinking policy is too strict, so let's get the policy changed so we can drink freely on campus." Since students demanded these changes for the immediate future, all the potential consequences were not considered.

Last week students were notified of the changes in dining services for next year. Some students happily accepted the new campus while others expressed dismay over the future. The loyal, hard-working ARA staff members are all facing unemployment.

Now, having realized the ramifications of the actions of the student body in calling for better dining services, a couple of students distributed a petition calling for job protection of the non-student ARA employees. The intention behind the petition was heartfelt because the thought of these dedicated workers being unemployed is unsettling. Most employees did not do their job well and with a smile, but did so as ARAMark employees.

However, what these Seacoast activists have ignored is that providing dining services is a business, one that is based on competition and cost effectiveness. Students wanted better food, more selections (including fast-food like Taco Bell) and at a lower cost. Evidently, ARA could not offer students' requests, while Wood Company could. When students were pushing for changes in the food services, no one gave any thought to the future of the jobs of the ARAMark employees.

Another instance in which students seemed to give little thought to the results of their actions is the recent request for a loosening of the alcohol policy. When RAs enforce the school policy, they're also enforcing national law. No one under the age of 21 is allowed to consume alcohol so students shouldn't take it so personally when the RA is only doing his or her job.

But now that the college has tried to back off, the job of the RAs has only become harder. So far the students have been given the opportunity to prove that they're mature enough to drink responsibly, as at the Westmoreland, Russell and Jefferson parties. But when students get wasted and injure themselves or vandalize property, it's a safe bet to say that things are out of control. These irresponsible actions only serve to confirm the administration's hesitance to give the student body more autonomy.

We can't be afraid of change for fear that uncomfortable consequences may result. We simply need to rationally consider the problem and evaluate all possible outcomes before knocking down doors and demanding immediate changes. Even though there is more to consider than just ourselves, sometimes the pros outweigh the cons and toes will be stepped on. All things considered, Wood Company will probably prove to be more satisfactory than ARAMark, and all things considered, the drinking policy must remain consistent with U.S. law. It's pretty hard to please everybody, but we must do our best to accommodate the majority in a sensible, responsible manner.

## Things That Make You Go "Hmmm"

We've got a few questions to ask, and if you know the answer to any of them, feel free to write to us at Box 604.

- 1) Why is it that the Fall track books come out before the Summer track books, making life extremely difficult as many students huff and puff their ways up to the second floor of GW Hall (only to see the note on the door informing students that the people are out to lunch)?
- 2) Why do toothpaste, oil and vaseline entail fun during Junior Ring Week?
- 3) Why can commuter students with orange stickers park both on the side streets and in the general commuter parking spaces, but the gray-sticker commuters can't park on the side streets? And why are the tickets for illegally parked cars in the commuter spaces only \$10?
- 4) Why are there so few computers available for so many students enrolled in writing intensive courses?
- 5) Why do the Eagles Nest and the library close so early? Why is Trinkle the only academic building open all night?
- 6) Why can't we all be winners in the game of Life?

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## MTV Needs To Return To Its Roots

By Tracey Dickerson  
Guest Columnist

Remember watching the astronaut that bounced on the moon and planted the flag with the MTV logo on it? That was classic. That was MTV—the old MTV.

MTV stands for music television, a concept that hit television screens in 1981. The band that shot the very first video shown on MTV was The Buggles with "Radio Killed the Video Star." Ironically, it seems as though video has killed the radio star recently with the station's gradual changes throughout the past few years.

The 90s have definitely brought change for the better for a lot of things, but MTV is not one of them. Videos were plenty back in the 80s, but since the turn of the decade, videos are few and far between. Most likely the station thought the only way to boost its ratings or get a better audience was to mess with the programming. Now videos are tossed in as an afterthought between MTV's

new programming -- prime time television with not much censorship. Just like prime time television with not much censorship. Just like prime time. The programs are the usual drama and comedy shows that can be viewed on any of the major networks or cable channels.

We've got "The Real World," a drama set in San Francisco about (you guessed it) actual people's lives. There's also "Beavis and Butthead," a comedy about two juvenile delinquents who love to go couch fishing and to watch videos of their favorite heavy metal band Gwar. "Sandblast" is your ESPN at the beach, with men and women teamed up together playing around on the sand. Then for those women who just want to keep up with

today's top models, "House of Style" can be seen hosted by today's famous working woman, jewelry designer, and model, Cindy Crawford. You don't even have to flip a channel; everything you want is right in front of you. All that you have to do is wait

for the scheduled time slot, and you are set.

Wait! What about the videos? Videos? Oh yeah, the whole reason why the station became so popular. Sure, you get those every few hours for about a half an hour to an hour at a time, when the time slot is allowed. Unlike

the old 80s MTV, where they wouldn't care if Cyndi Lauper was next to the Fat Boys, the new and improved 90s MTV groups the videos together. Sure they will play Stone Temple Pilots after Boys II Men, but

only once in a while. The rest of the time each music category has its own block or hour. We've got MTV Jams with Bill Bellamy, which is strictly R&B videos. "Alternative Nation," usually hosted by Kennedy, shows all the new alternative bands. "Yo! MTV" raps takes care of the rap section. "Head Bangers" Ball satisfies all the heavy metal fans. Then there's just the plain old category for videos, which is the mixture of videos the station shows together, so it doesn't seem like they have deviated too much from their original setup.

MTV was started as a variation of the norm. Most of Generation X grew up with the station, maturing as it did. But what happened? Beavis and Butthead are fun and "cool," but what happened to our hours of non-stop videos? "Girls Just Want to Have Fun" got replaced by "Sex in the 90s." Enough of this, as in the words of Dire Straits, "I want my MTV!"

Tracey Dickerson is a junior English major.

## ARA Needed More Toothpicks, Less Buns

By Eric Edwards  
Guest Columnist

Strike one up for MWC. As if on cue hundreds of stumbling, foolish-looking, drooling students got together to booze it up and strangely enough drool, stumble and look foolish this past Friday in Jefferson Hall's rendition of Altamont minus Hell's Angels plus cued cuties.

Well although I was not present at the "Party of the Decade," I understand it was quite a nasty little soirée. "Spring Fling: blood, gore and beer on the floor" was the name of this monumental opening of the flood gates of MWC's alcohol policy.

Things were broken, stains were left, people passed out and small semi-automatic weapons were sold for outrageously low bargain-basement prices. I am sorry that last remark was completely uncalled for, the guns were very expensive, the crack was cheap. But before the Mary Washington "now we're not" police officers go combing Jefferson for illegal firearms, "rock" and counterfeit degrees I want to point out that there is a more serious problem

present on MWC's campus today.

The ARA aka "don't go away mad, just go away" in a post mortem effort to please the campus distributed questionnaires asking how they can better serve us... for the next month I guess. Well since I took the time to fill out one of the obnoxious flyers (because as it turns out my crushing five credit course load leaves me ample free time to fill out pretty much any damn thing, like credit card applications for people I hate, ad nauseam) it would be fair for ARA to take some of my amazingly revolutionary yet somehow very reasonable suggestions to heart and implement them in their final lame duck days as the campus "food" guns.

For starters, when dining at the Eagles Nest aka "don't bug me I'm doing a crossword puzzle" why can't my burger be mid-rare if that is how I like it, as opposed to cooked to a briquette like I always get it? And why can't it taste like meat? Hmm? Why is the bun always stone hard, cold, and three to four hundred times larger than the size of the half-ounce (pre-cooked weight) nugget of a "burger." And why is it dropped in front of my face by a person who

looks like they want give me a "hamburger" enema? Well if they want to kill me their best bet is to starve me because there is little chance of my choking on sheer girth of the burger.

Next up, I have a few questions about Seabeck. Why is it that after all of the highly touted changes in the Rose Room, no matter how quickly the fries are moved three feet from the deep fryer to under the heat lamp they have the consistency and taste of... (believe it or not I could not conjure a more descriptive word to incite the proper loathing of Seabeck fries than Seabeck fries). And what happened to the toothpicks? There used to be frilly toothpicks? I feel that the .00001 percent of a penny it costs per toothpick is more than made up for in the customer satisfaction of being able to chew on wood.

But fair is fair and I believe that ARAMark "don't let the sun go down on us" has some major points in its favor. a) Val: she sits there, signs her name with a smile and has a nice word for everyone, even the chumps who don't deserve it. b) Beer: Okay, you can't get it at Seabeck, but it is always available at the Nest and for a

relatively cheap price. The devil you know is better than the devil you don't know, especially if you know he serves alcohol. I mean all the Eagles Nest really is a subsidized-beer-bar and the "food" is little more than glorified beer munchies. c) Free Love: I know that all of the Seabeck and Nest employees engage in madcap, well-oiled orgies of drugs, sex and Tom Jones cds turned all the way up. Ha Ha, just kidding everyone knows that Tom Jones plays live at these sex-fests so that he too can get a well-lusted piece of tail.

Most likely the questionnaires were handed out as a practical joke so that ARA "the Donner party loved us" could fulfill all of our "food" service fantasies in their remaining weeks, just so that we would be really, really sorry when they left and we would all really, really wish that we weren't so mean to them for merely performing their expected job at the lowest possible level of quality and efficiency. I mean that is, after all, the American way. Eric Edwards is a senior history and journalism major and is the *Bullet* Entertainment Editor.

## Letters to the Editor

### Skinheads Don't Usually Have Too Much Hair

I would like to make a comment based on one of Anthony Wester's comments in the article "Black Students Allege Police Discrimination" of your March 23 issue.

My only complaint is that he doesn't have a clear idea of what a skinhead is. In the article, he is quoted as saying "...when you walk down campus walk and see people with pink and blue spiked hair with leather and chains—people who might be skinheads."

Skinheads usually have no hair. When they do, it is usually very short; people with "pink and blue spiked hair with leather and chains" are mostly associated with "punks," although this has been known to piss some of them off.

As an aside, while many skinheads are racist, by no means is it true that all of them are. SHARP (Skinheads Against Racial Prejudice) is a skinhead organization that is dedicated to ending racism. Also, there are African-American Punks and skinheads, as well as Hispanic, Indian, etc., along with the more vanilla WASPs.

As a graduate of Mary Washington and a punk, I would hate for anyone to consider an entire group of people as racist just because a small horshack pack of idiots get all the press.

Chris Wright  
Class of 1993

### Health Center Complaints Not Warranted

As associate director of the Student Health Center I would like to respond to the "Campus Quotes" column in the Feb. 23, 1995 issue of the *Bullet*.

While students can present any information, misinformation or total untruths about their illnesses and visits to the Student Health Center, each member of our staff is bound ethically and morally to maintain each student's privacy and all visits to us are confidential. This means I can not respond directly to any issues that are raised in reference to an individual student's visit.

I do, however, wish to make some general observations.

No student is ever kept in the Health Center if they do not want to unless it is requested by the Dean of Students. We will offer to have a student stay if we feel they are ill or incapacitated, but it is always the student's choice.

Students seen in the Health Center are asked to follow up with us in 48-72 hours so that we can monitor their condition. It is up to each individual to comply with this request as they see fit. If a student decides not to return for follow up as requested, it seems to me that the Health Center should not be held responsible if that student does not improve or becomes worse. We can only help those who let us know how they are (or aren't). Actual throat cultures are done instead of "quick strep" tests because

they are more accurate and not as restrictive in scope. As a general rule, students are treated based on symptoms, not just the throat culture and if a student's symptoms warrant it, she or he is treated with an antibiotic on that first visit. More often than not, when we get a positive throat culture report, we find the student was given an appropriate medication on that initial visit. Very seldom, if ever, does it take more than three days to get throat culture results. It has never taken a week. When we get a report on a positive throat culture we call the student and, if they are not available, we leave a message asking that they call the Health Center. We very often have left several messages before we hear from the student. We have no control over how long it takes for a person to respond to a request to call us.

At the beginning of each school year we invite students to become members of the Student Health advisory Board. A few students volunteered for this board last year,

but this year these students have been unable to serve. If anyone is interested in working with the Health Center staff to improve the services given by the Student Health Center, they can drop a note to us and we will try again to form this board and give students a say in the programming and services offered.

Each year Student Satisfaction Surveys done by the Health Center are included in the Annual Report. Copies of last semester's surveys were also sent to the *Bullet*. Perhaps for comparison you could sample those reports. Each semester the Student Health Center has over 2,000 visits. The great majority of these visits culminate in healthy and satisfied students.

If anyone has questions about the Student Health Center (no incidents with named specific students), I will be glad to address them.

Nancy H. Yates, RN, C  
Associate Director, Student Health Center

### Bullet Letter and Column Policy

The *Bullet* is always eager to receive letters to the editor and guest columns and every effort is made to print them. If there are numerous letters on one subject, a sampling of the best letters received will be printed.

Letters should be no more than 250 words and columns no more than 700 words, typed, double-spaced. All letters and columns are subject to editing for length and clarity, as well as determining which letters and columns will run in the newspaper.

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The *Bullet* does not publish anonymous letters or columns. All letters need to be signed with the writer's appropriate title. A phone number and address are also needed for verification.

All letters and columns can be mailed to the *Bullet* at Box 604, 1301 College Avenue, Fredericksburg, VA, 22401-4666 or delivered to our office in the Woodard Computer Center.

If you have any questions, call Jill Golden, Kendra L. Williams or Heather Jacobs at 899-4393.

## Candid Quotes From Campus Walk

Over the past few weeks, enforcement of the on-campus alcohol policy has been loosened substantially, with a number of parties over the past weekends. Do you feel the policy has been loosened, and if so, was it wisely done? What do you think the consequences will be for MWC?

"There is no new alcohol policy. RAs are simply upholding the state law. We're not the bad guys or girls. We're just doing our jobs."

- Kate Lulfs  
sophomore  
RA in Virginia



"I believe that RAs have always enforced the alcohol policy on an individual basis. I don't think the policy has been loosened over the past weeks. I know that five years ago people perceived the alcohol policy as too loose. Now the pendulum has swung in other direction. We need to find a middle ground and fine tune the policy."

- Michelle Trombetta, sophomore  
RA in Randolph



"The alcohol policy is not the problem. We shouldn't let a couple of people ruin it for everyone. We made a couple of mistakes the first weekend, but I don't think it will be a pattern, nor is it a direct result from the moderation."

- Todd Palcic,  
junior  
former SGA vice president



"I think the loosening of the policy is a good thing. UVA and Tech both have alcohol policies but they're not as tight. The alcohol policies are not the problem at these schools and there's no difference between us and these other schools."

- James  
Schoonmaker, freshman



"I don't see any difference in what could happen between going down the block or partying in your dorm. The question should be, 'How is [the policy] going to affect those on campus who do not drink?' The policy could affect the social atmosphere of certain dorms."

- Jenn Wood  
sophomore



"[The alcohol policy] seems to have loosened somewhat. I would like to think that it will continue to do so because there's a negative attitude on this campus and I think the stringent alcohol policy is the cause of it. I understand that RAs need to do their jobs but it is much safer to party on campus."

- Kim Ranney, sophomore



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# FEATURES

## CONSERVATIVE vs. LIBERAL

Local And National Gender Issues Addressed By Women's History Month's Speaker



Courtesy Photo

Nadine Strossen is the first woman president of the ACLU.

By Dana Birkholz  
Bulletin Staff Writer

While on a recent airplane trip, Allyson Poska, assistant professor of history, found herself seated next to a Mary Washington College alumna from the 1950s. As they compared and contrasted the college then and now, Poska discovered that some alumni feel that contemporary MWC is more conservative regarding women than it was before the college admitted men in 1970.

According to Poska, at times MWC neglects gender equality issues in pursuing its goal to achieve a more equal male:female ratio on campus.

"I think that there is a good cohort of people that are really interested in women's issues, but the campus has been more oriented towards becoming a co-educational place," Poska said.

Nadine Strossen, president of the American Civil Liberties Union, spoke last week in Dodd Auditorium as the keynote speaker for Women's History Month, addressing some of the 90s hottest national gender issues and their relevance to the college community.

Some faculty members at MWC do not feel that the college atmosphere always promotes women's liberties. Poska said she questions whether or not gender equality is an issue being addressed on campus.

While she addresses women's

issues in all of her history classes in addition to being the faculty advisor for Women's History Month, Poska is concerned with things she sees happening at MWC that do not stimulate gender equality.

The recent drive to change the name of the college and the newly built baseball stadium are two issues she sees as problematic.

"[Building the ball stadium] spent an incredibly large amount of money on a sports project that benefits very few people and certainly no women," Poska said.

Assistant Professor of English Biff Faunce said that while MWC may be making strides toward gender equality, he agreed with Poska in that MWC may also do things to hurt the progress.

"I think things have gotten better. For instance, in the English department, we have hired more women recently. Judith Parker [assistant professor of English, linguistics and speech] and I are putting together a magazine that deals with race, class and gender. It is puzzling to me how, at a traditionally women's college, there is no woman's center, yet we spend [money] on a baseball field. The priorities seem to be a little eschewed for me," Faunce said.

Senior Allison Leeds, senior class vice-president, said she does not see a gender equality problem at MWC. Leeds said when she began working on the SA Entertainment committee

when she was a freshman, women made up only a few spots on the 20 member team, but today Leeds sees the ratio as a better representation of the student body.

"Ever since I was a freshman, I have been running in elections. I have found the Mary Washington environment to be very conducive to my growth as a leader," Leeds said.

This year's student body President, Heather Mullins, said she has witnessed great strides for equality on campus.

According to Mullins, two years ago, Devin Williams was the first female student body president in seven years. Yet, with the exception of two seats in the newly elected executive cabinet, the members are now all female.

"I think that there is a lot of prejudice on campus, but I think that it is a lot better than the outside world, especially in particularly male dominated areas. I am an economics major and I took two courses at Virginia Tech. There were only two females in the class and that was pretty intimidating, but here the classes are 50/50," Mullins said.

Mark McClure, student welfare co-chairperson, also said he did not see problems relating to gender equality on campus.

"My guess is that if there are a lot of men in leadership positions, then there are probably not many women running against them," McClure said. Strossen broadened gender issues

into national concerns during her speech on March 21. She has made her own contribution in the women's liberties fight as the first-ever woman president of the ACLU and has dedicated her life to seeing that everyone gets the same opportunities.

Strossen expanded her topic from MWC to hot debates going on in the Commonwealth of Virginia. According to Strossen, the Virginia Military Institute has denied women access to their facilities, yet continue to accept public funding and reside on public property. Strossen estimated that \$10 million of government funding goes to VMI annually.

"I think it is a scandal that these institutions completely bar women," Strossen said.

Strossen expanded to talk about national concerns giving the title of "second rate citizenship" to women in the United States today and elaborated on the struggles for the right to vote, reproductive freedom and other gender issues.

"Right now the United States Supreme Court has never held that gender discrimination violates the Constitution to the same extent that race discrimination does and that is why it would have been so important to add the Equal Rights Amendment to the Constitution," Strossen said.

In 1991 Strossen was elected the President of the ACLU and serves

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## Student Experiences The Town Beyond The Gown At Local High School

By Kathy Austin  
Special to the Bulletin

Senior Liz Ferguson's typical day is very different from most college students. Her alarm goes off at 6:30 a.m., long before the rest of her dorm has even stirred. Instead of spending her day as a student, Ferguson teaches Spanish at James Monroe High School.

"It's hard when the alarm goes off at 6:30 a.m. and I've stayed up until 12:30 a.m. the night before. I've got a real person job in a college student life. I want to go to bed at 9:30 p.m., and I drives my roommate crazy," Ferguson said.

Ferguson teaches four classes of the first year Spanish. She is responsible for every aspect of these classes. She makes the lesson plans, grades the assignments, and disciplines the class. Her co-operating teacher, Marsha

Chaves, sits in the back of the room. She is there if Ferguson needs help, but otherwise she is silent.

Student teaching is the last step in the education department requirements. Ferguson will receive nine credits as well as a letter grade for her experience. According to Ferguson, she must meet with her advisor each week and set up goals for that week. She must also keep a journal for the week. Periodically she is observed by her advisor. At the end of the semester, her faculty advisor and her co-operating teacher at James Monroe hold a conference to decide her grade.

On this particular day, the class is learning about indirect objects. As the first class files in, Ferguson sighs. "I don't want to be teaching this lesson. I don't even know indirect objects in English!" she said.

Yet Ferguson puts her frustrations

aside and concentrates on being the best teacher she can be. According to Chaves, Ferguson is energetic about her job. "I love to work with her because we get along really well. We're on the same wavelength when it comes to students' expectations and teaching techniques," Chaves said.

At 9 a.m. the bell sounds. Ferguson begins her lesson by having the class repeat a list of new verbs. "Repit," she says, pointing at her list. "Comprar." One or two people respond. She says it again. "Comprar." About half the class responds this time. By the end of the list, most of the class is responding.

One student in the back of the class is apparently bored with the lesson. He slowly slides out a copy of "The Great Gatsby" and begins to read it. Ferguson begins to walk up and down the aisles as she teaches. She removes a foot from a desk, stopping to stand

between two students who have been whispering back and forth. She calls on every one by name, trying to call on the quieter students who are not calling out the answers.

Paul Zisman, professor of education, thinks that Ferguson handles the difficulties of teaching well. "She's very upbeat about being in the classroom even though there's some frustrating moments. She's getting a good response from the majority of students," Zisman said.

When the tone sounds to end Ferguson's lesson, the entire class rushes for the door, pushing, shoving, and giggling. Ferguson spends a few minutes chatting with one of the students, a tall gangly boy named Sidney. Sidney seemed the most interested in the lesson, asking a lot of questions and raising his hand often.

"Teaching is very frustrating,"

Ferguson said. "I have 30 kids in each class. I want to go around the room; get to know them. Sometimes I go home and think, 'Oh, I didn't get to say anything to so-and-so, I know they've been having a hard time lately.'"

Ferguson said she tries to get to know her students and to learn a little something about each one. She spends a few minutes after each class talking to any lingering students. "Brandon, Brandon, Brandon," she said to one particularly rowdy student. "You're going to have to bring a new attitude in here on Monday." "Really?" Brandon said. Ferguson nods, giving him an exaggerated stern look. "Naw, check it out," he said, hopping from one foot to another. "I'm gonna be good." "Seriously?" Ferguson asks, raising her eyebrows. "Seriously," he said, with a slightly impish grin.

Ferguson said it is not as hard to deal with rowdy classes. "Sometimes it throws me off because it's funny and I want to laugh," Ferguson said. Other times are not so funny, however, and Ferguson experiences frustration because some students are not willing to pay attention.

At 5 feet 1 inch, Ferguson is not much bigger than most of her students. Surprisingly, this is not a problem for her. "I didn't think they would, but they seem so much younger than me. It's a long six years that separates us, in terms of experience," she said. "The line between teacher and friend is something I really focused on because I am so young," Ferguson said. In fact, she thinks she may have gone too far in her efforts to establish authority. She tried to come across as

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## MWC Volunteers Dedicate Spring Break To Flood Relief

By Delanie Kellon  
Special to the Bulletin

As the storm forced the water level to rise higher and higher, Georgia resident Bonnie Little woke her children up at 5 a.m. while deliberating whether to save her pet rabbit and dog. The family evacuated the flooded area by boat, with a separate vessel for neighborhood animals only. A year later, the area lies strewn with trash, with insulation and rubble still caught in trees.

While many MWC students escaped for a week in March to the warm Florida Keys, a selfless team of 17 COAR volunteer set off on what would become a 12-hour trek to Albany, Ga. where they would spend their Spring Break cleaning up and rebuilding homes that were destroyed in last summer's devastating floods.

The group of 15 students, led by faculty-staff members Barbara Andes and David Hunter, were given advice, supplies and home cooked meals. It was a local church organization called Lutheran Disaster Relief.

Jessica Lurch, a freshman who excitedly recalls the trip as one of the best experiences of her life, was especially impressed with the efforts of the church group.

They had been on the scene since



Volunteers repair insulation.

the floods started in July and still had stock-piles of blankets, food and other supplies to help the people who were forced out of their homes.

"They organized us into groups to work at different sites, gave us the equipment we needed and even fed us home cooked meals. It was southern hospitality at its best," Lurch said.

According to Lurch, most



Courtesy photo

COAR volunteers Jeff Jennings, Jeff Robey, Jeremy Prose, David Hunter, Jeff Hoehn.

volunteers had no background in building, but everyone quickly learned to sand, repair a fireplace, install insulation and put up dry wall and mudding in addition to taking part in general trash pick up.

"You could tell where the high

water mark had been by the debris in the trees. Twenty feet up in trees you would see underwear, bookcases, trash - everything," Lurch said.

Brooke Michalik, a veteran of COAR Spring Breaks, said that she had a great time last year but this year

was even better.

"The groups really worked well together and enjoyed helping out. We got to know one lady who's house was finally livable again. She was very positive and friendly - even after what she'd been

through," she said.

Lurch said she found the homeowners, many of whom had been living in temporary housing since July, to be helpful and not bitter about their bad luck. "More homes were destroyed [in Georgia] than in California, even though press coverage concentrated on the west coast. Groups of volunteers have been in and out of the area for over six months and the residents there are just thankful for the help.

Some homeowners even helped us do repairs and gave suggestions as to how they wanted things to look. It was fun -- just helping them," she said.

Sophomore Charlotte Itoh, another veteran of COAR-sponsored activities, is confident that their work made a difference in the lives of some Albany residents.

"Even though we only did a few things to repair a few houses, we definitely had a positive impact on the area. I also became close to a lot of different people that I might never have met because we all to work closely with each other," Itoh said.

Itoh is planning to go on the next alternative COAR trip. The group had such a positive experience this year, that they would all be thrilled to do it again, she said.

# SPORTS

## SPORTS BRIEFS

Hallowes Wins! Hallowes Wins!

Junior Heather Hallowes scored 11 goals and added four assists to contribute to the women's lacrosse team's four victories this past week. Her performance earned her the distinction of Bullet Player of the Week. She scored four goals against both St. Mary's on March 23 and Randolph-Macon on March 28. She has a total of 18 points (13 goals, five assists). Other nominees were Eliza Huber (women's lacrosse), Kara Smith (softball), Bill McLean (men's lacrosse) and Aaron Mudry (baseball).



Heather Hallowes

### Men Serve Shut-outs

Christopher Newport and Catholic were blanked by the men's tennis team, 7-0, on both occasions this past week.

Sophomore Chris Wallace (No. 1 seed), senior Steve Paskiewicz (No. 2), junior Eric Geshekter (No. 3), senior Pat Catullo (No. 4), sophomore Brad Burch (No. 5) and junior Justin Metacarpa (No. 6) all posted victories in both matches.

The doubles teams of Wallace/Geshekter (No. 1) and Paskiewicz/Catullo (No. 2) also won in both contests.

### Women's Tennis Loses

Last Saturday at Washington College, the women's tennis team lost, 7-2.

The two victories were posted in singles by freshman players. Liz Siciliano, the No. 5 seed, defeated Vicky Roth, 6-4, 6-2. The other win was by fellow freshman Judy Allen, the No. 6 seed. Allen needed three sets to beat Kim Prettyman, 6-4, 2-6, 6-4.

MWC hosts the NCAA Division III South Regional Championships, starting this Friday and ending on Sunday. This tournament is important for NCAA National Tournament consideration.

### Saints Sink Men's Lax

After defeating the No. 18-ranked Lynchburg men's lacrosse team Tuesday afternoon, MWC lost 16-8 at Marymount University on March 25.

Junior Bill McLean recorded the hat trick [three goals] in the Capital Athletic Conference contest. Sophomores Kyle Aldrich and Craig Siemes also added two goals apiece. Senior Aaron Reed contributed one goal in the losing cause. Siemes and Reed also added assists in the game.

MWC is scoring 7.7 goals per game but is allowing over 14 goals per game. However, goalie Chris Williams is fourth in the CAC in save percentage at .525.

### Upcoming Events . . .

- Mar. 30 Baseball vs. Gallaudet University (DH) at the Battleground, 1 p.m.
- Mar. 31 Baseball vs. Guilford College at the Battleground, 3 p.m.
- Mar. 31 Men's Tennis in VITA Championships at Newport News, Va., TBA.
- Apr. 2 Women's Tennis in NCAA South Region Tournament at the Battleground, 8 a.m.
- Apr. 1 Baseball at Catholic University, 3 p.m.
- Softball vs. N.C. Wesleyan College at Walker-Grant Middle School, 2 p.m.
- Men's Lacrosse vs. Western Maryland College at the Battleground, 1 p.m.
- Outdoor Track and Field (M/W) at Christopher Newport Captains' Classic at Newport News, Va., 10 a.m.
- Women's Lacrosse at Roanoke College, 1 p.m.
- Apr. 2 Riding at Regional Finals at Towson, Md., 1 p.m.
- Apr. 4 Baseball vs. Virginia Wesleyan College at the Battleground, 3 p.m.
- Women's Tennis vs. Georgetown University at the Battleground, 4 p.m.
- Women's Lacrosse at Goucher College, 4:30 p.m.
- Apr. 5 Baseball vs. Methodist College at the Battleground, 3 p.m.
- Men's Lacrosse at Randolph-Macon College, 3:30 p.m.

## Women's Track Performs Admirably At Relays

By Colin Whitehouse  
Bulletin Assistant Sports Editor

The MWC men's and women's track and field teams hosted the Battleground Relays this past weekend, but the home field advantage did not prove to be beneficial.

"The competition was good and especially strong on the men's side," said men's and women's track and field Head Coach Stan Soper.

The scoring for the Battleground Relays was not tallied for each team but based solely on individual or relay team performances. If the scoring had been done on a team basis, the Christopher Newport women's team and Rochester men's team would have come out on top.

"Overall, the men's side was strong with Christopher Newport in the sprints and Rochester in the middle distance and distance events," said Soper.

The men's team team struggled to place an athlete and came away with no first or second place finishes. However, senior hurdler Chris Richardson finished third, 15.83 seconds, in the 110-meter hurdles.

"We did pretty well considering the stiff



Bonnie Dye/Bullet

see TRACK, page 10 Senior Christine Redmon receives the baton from sophomore Myra Simpson in the 400-meter relay.

## Williams Leads Team Through Experience

By Zak Billmeier  
Bulletin Staff Writer

Pam Williams might only be 22 years old, but she has over a decade and a half of softball experience under her belt.

"I started playing T-ball when I was six," she explains, "and I started playing softball when I was eight."

Her experience shows on the field. Not only is she a first-team all-conference infielder, but she is the eldest member on a young team that's rebuilding. This title which inherently requires a lot of responsibility.

"She's a good leader...she's not loud and she leads by example. She does not need to say much because we see how hard she plays," said freshman catcher/third baseman Liz Galton.

"[There is] a lot to prepare for," she said. "I've got to get [the younger players] prepared as well as myself, not only for games, but during practice, too. I remind them that they're still young, and that college softball is different from high school, and that they need to start over."

Indeed, the Eagles are young. Williams and first baseman Tasha Thomas are the only seniors on the team.



Pam Williams

Through 25 games in 1995, the Eagles have a mediocre 12-13 record. However, they have outbatted their opponents .277 to .269, have outscored them 121-112, and have nearly twice as many stolen bases. It is obvious that the talent is there, but there is some inconsistency that comes from a

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Bonnie Dye/Bullet

On Sunday, the York Spartans swept the Eagles in a doubleheader, 8-6, 6-3. The second game of the twillbill took 10 innings, as the Spartans scored three runs in the top of the 10th for the victory. Senior Steve Blankenship had a triple and two RBI and senior Brian Lillis [above crossing home plate] doubled twice during his four trips. In the opener, Blankenship hit a solo home run and Lillis went one-for-two with two RBI. Their record now stands at 10-7 overall and 3-4 in the Capital Athletic Conference.

Freshman Tim Deyesu leads the team in hitting at .436, followed by Blankenship and Lillis at .375. Blankenship has also contributed 10 steals, 23 runs scored and 18 RBI. Lillis leads the team with 26 RBI and 11 steals. The baseball team won their Wednesday game, stomping Virginia State, 18-1, at the Battleground. Their next home game is Friday against Guilford College at 3 p.m.

## Ode To The Two Michaels

By Eric Edwards  
Bulletin Entertainment Editor

Jordan is perfect  
Tyson was great  
One's hittin' longballs  
while the others performin' ....  
One was a hoopster  
who hardly ever missed  
The other a fighter  
with a kickin' bad lip.  
Tyson was bad  
till Givens made him a joker  
Jordan a billionaire  
till he lost it on poker.  
But seriously folks  
golf was his thrill  
but he couldn't hit a ball  
if it wasn't standing still.

While Mike loved the girl  
from "Head of the Class"  
he couldn't keep his paws  
off Miss Washington's a--.  
Jordan is back  
he's the NBA's sweetie  
and after fizzing the first game  
started eating his Wheaties.  
Tyson is driven  
by a belt he can wear  
and his manager thrives  
on a huge fear of Nair.  
Put them together  
you got a nice double,  
one thinks he's Ali  
the other—Freddy Couples

## Women's Lacrosse Off To Sweetest Start Ever

By Kate Dube  
Bulletin Staff Writer

The Mary Washington women's lacrosse team overcame a halftime deficit to beat Washington and Lee, 8-6, for the first time in the program's history on Saturday.

"It was probably the best win of the season," said Dana Hall, coach of the women's lacrosse team. "We haven't beaten Washington and Lee in the last four years. Our team played well, extremely well, to win the game."

"It was a tough win," agreed sophomore Liza Barber. "We stuck with it and I think we were pretty surprised we won."

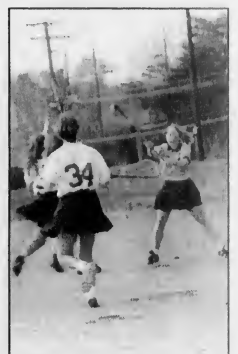
Washington and Lee, 5-1, supported their impressive start to their season by scoring 30 seconds into the game. MWC responded a few minutes later with a goal by Barber. Sophomore Charlotte Cockrell, assisted by junior Heather Hallowes, scored the second MWC goal.

The teams matched each other nearly shot for shot during the first half. W&L junior Chrissy Donnelly scored following a penalty and senior Lindsay Coleman chipped in a goal, making the score 3-2.

MWC tied things up with a goal by junior Eliza Huber. W&L retaliated with Donnelly's second goal of the game.

MWC started the second half by tying the game with a goal by Huber 30 seconds into the half. Hallowes and sophomore Kristie Fasanaro added goals for MWC.

The MWC defense, which has allowed just over six goals per game, kept W&L from penetrating for most of the game. The General's two goals of the half came late in



Colleen Maguire/Bullet

**Junior Tricia Kube (34) defends.** the game. A third goal was called off as the result of an illegal stick.

Huber scored her third goal of the game, assisted by sophomore Heather Shunake, and Cockrell earned her second goal.

In Tuesday's action, Huber and Hallowes scored four goals each, leading the Eagles to a 16-8 victory at the Battleground.

This was the fourth straight win for the women's lacrosse team. Cockrell had a hat trick and Fasanaro added two goals. Barber,

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# ENTERTAINMENT

## digable

## Spearhead

## planets

By Ryan A. MacMichael  
Special to the Bulletin

Hip-hop groups Spearhead and the Digable Planets closed out a seven week nationwide tour on Sunday night in the Great Hall. Spearhead lead vocalist Michael Franti admitted during the show that even though he didn't know anything about "Mary Washington University," the crowd still had the charisma that groups like for their last show.

A long day of setting up and possible complications came together at quarter after nine when Spearhead's manager, whose high-length dreadlocks were pulled up making him look like a Jamaican Princess Lea, took the stage to introduce the band.

Franti began his career as a member of the group The Beatnigs, but then moved on to form The Disposable Heroes of Hiphoprisy with Rono Tse, who is now with the group Black China. Franti's album with the Heroes was a dark, angry political statement while his most recent, Spearhead's "Home," is more groove and hook oriented.

"We were trying to deal with new forms of communication," Franti explained shortly before the show. "There was one time in Australia when we were at an outdoor festival and there were people half-naked throwing water at each other and we're up on the stage shouting 'Television — the Drug of the

Nation' and smashing TV sets. It just didn't go together."

Franti and crew brought the energy of the first album with the more melodious sound of the new one to the performance Sunday night. They opened with the chant: "One, two, this is the Spearhead crew!" until they moved into their first set of songs, which included "Piece O' Peace" and "Runfayalife."

Spearhead kept their energy throughout the show performing the majority of songs from their most recent album. Franti, whose influences range from dub poet Macka B to soul legend Stevie Wonder, showed his versatility by constantly changing tone and mood and breaking into his own renditions of reggae and soul classics.

After the short break following Spearhead's set, the Digable Planets took their turn on stage. DJ Jazzy Joyce, one of hip-hop's original DJs, came out to introduce herself and the band. The Planet's initial songs, which began with "Dial 7 (Axioms of Creamy Spies)" was powerful, but hindered by poor mixing.

The Digable Planets first album, "Reaching" (a New Refutation of Time and Space) sold 500,000 units and won them a Grammy for Best Rap Performance by a Duo or Group in 1993. Their first single off of that album, "Rebirth of Slick (Cool Like Dat)" was No. 2 on the Billboard rap charts for the year.

Like Spearhead, they have made some

obvious changes. Their most recent release, "Blowout Comb" is a departure from the cryptic, highly symbolic lyrical structure of "Reaching." But the crowd didn't seem to mind any changes during Sunday night's performance.

Ladybug, the group's female vocalist, got the best response from the crowd with her shy, yet confident stage presence. The Planets' performance featured a freestyle by member Butterfly as well as an absolutely breathtaking display of skills on the turntables by DJ Jazzy Joyce.

But once Carl Carter grabbed the stand-up bass and played the unforgettable bassline from "Rebirth of Slick," the crowd's electricity blew the roof off.

The Planets' set ended appropriately with "Jetin'," closed out by bassist Carl Carter's seemingly random burst of improvisation. Among the madness were brief interpretations of hip-hop classics "La Di Da Di" and "Rapper's Delight."

Both groups thanked each other for making the tour a great one. Butterfly apologized to Spearhead for shortening their sound-checks (ironically something that Franti had mentioned during the interview) and Franti thanked the Digable Planets for letting him and his group come along for the ride. For both bands, this was a good way to end a long tour.

## Readers Series Brings Mason Poet Forché

By Greg Urquhart  
Bulletin Staff Writer



Shannon Slawter/Bulletin  
Carolyn Forché

Just minutes before world-renowned poet Carolyn Forché began her reading Tuesday night, members of the Poetry and Fiction Readers Series organization were busy rearranging the Great Hall, trying to make room for the unusually large crowd.

"We had to bring in a lot of extra chairs," said junior Jason Kozma, president of the Poetry and Fiction Readers Series. "Two or three times as many people showed up as we expected," he said.

Everyone was piling in to see Forché read her acclaimed political and personal poetry. Forché, who is currently the director of poetry at George Mason University, kept the large crowd engrossed with her emotional reading, adding detail to poetry already filled with vivid images. Every description was accompanied by appropriate expressions and stresses.

"She has a voice for poetry," said senior John Cagle. Sophomore Stefanie Herron said, "I was mesmerized by how she brought the stories to life."

While Forché is officially a poet, she is in actuality a story-teller. All of her poems are specific stories about specific people. For example, her poem "The Colonel" tells of her dinner with a colonel in El Salvador. With disturbing vividness she recounts the story of the Colonel dumping a bucket of human ears on the dinner table.

"They looked like dried apricots, there is no other way to describe them," she said.

Forché's poetry draws its strength from the concreteness of its images and the fragility of its tone. The human ears seem real because everyone knows what dried apricots look like;

the scene is disturbing because the audience knows that Forché is being honest.

Forché's reading lent even more honesty to her poetry. She talked of her years in El Salvador and of her childhood in Michigan before reading relevant poems. The images and scenes seemed even more real knowing that Forché was describing actual people and events.

"By giving background information she brought you into her life," said senior Jeannine Lowe.

Andrea Holland, assistant professor of English at MWC is responsible for bringing Forché to campus. Holland studied poetry under Forché in graduate school at the University of Massachusetts. "I use some of her work in my classes. I like to make poetry accessible, and this was an opportunity to bring a living writer here," said Holland.

Holland said that she respects both Forché's style and her subject matter.

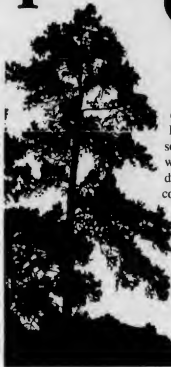
"She has such a presence and a voice and her subject isn't just herself. A lot of poets are very self-focused, but she embraces the world with her work," Holland said.

The most striking feature of Forché's work is her ability to relate universal themes through specific events. Rather than writing in abstractions, Forché writes in specifics. Every poem is about a specific person or event. It is up to the reader/listener to draw themes from her work — she merely presents

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## Into THE Woods: Out With A BANG

By Rob Thormeyer  
Bulletin Assistant Entertainment Editor



Well, I suppose you could call it enchanting, charming and, well, some other fairy-tale adjective. I guess you could also call it quirky, or offbeat, or something else uncan-ny. But no matter what you use when describing the Mary Washington College drama department's production of "Into the Woods," it all comes down to the same thing: it was pretty damn good.

That's right — with a few minor flaws, "Into the Woods" without a doubt was the best musical I have seen. Granted, my exposure with musicals is very limited, but I have discussed the play and its merits with friends who actually know what they are talking about, and they have told me the same thing. So, from my experience, and the opinions of others, seeing "Into the Woods" is well worth sitting in Klein Theater with the stage smoke blowing from the fog machine into the audience, causing people as far back as row

M (where I was sitting) to cough hysterically. Ah, but I digress.

From the start of the play, as soon as the curtain lifted to unveil the well-crafted set, I knew we (the audience) would be in for a treat. And boy, was I right.

But before I get into the play itself, I'd like (with urging from drama guru Mike Beck) to pay tribute to perhaps two of the most under-recognized aspects of any play, the set design and the costumes. To put it plainly, I have never seen better, respectively, of course. The set was magnificent, as were the costumes. My favorite part of the set was, without a doubt, Milky-White the cow. Perhaps sheer genius is the best way to describe this much-sought after cow, but I'm sure there are far better words. Anyway, the cow was really spectacular (all right, I'll stop). The costumes, needless to say, were also quite outstanding. Personally, my favorite was the Wolf,

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## Outbreak: An Infectious Film

By Matt Withers  
Bulletin Movie Critic

Tell me something: Is there anything in the world better than a good virus movie? Well, maybe and maybe not, but any way you look at it, "Outbreak" is a fantastic movie. The plot is believable, tension abounds, great performances are the call of the day, and the camera work is stunning. Plus, "Outbreak" achieves one of the most amazing feats I've ever witnessed in a movie: Dustin Hoffman looks handsome. What more could one movie offer?

The virus in "Outbreak" is a nasty little sucker called Motaba. It works by first infecting a single liver cell and then multiplying throughout other cells in the rest

of the body. When Motaba has taken its course the body's insides are basically soup, and the virus is highly communicable. There's a bigger problem, though. Motaba kills in an approximately 24-hour time period. Imagine AIDS if the transmission myths were true, and once you got it you died in a day.

Dustin Hoffman plays Sam Daniels, an Army virologist who heads the team that discovers Motaba (or maybe the government knew about it before, but I'm not telling). He realizes this is the deadliest virus he has ever dealt with. As he says at one point, "It's one-billionth our size and it's beating us." Daniels has a consistent paradox in his nature while dealing with Motaba. On the one hand he admires how simple and efficient it is; he is also extremely excited about discovering a

new virus. It's a once in a lifetime experience (maybe literally considering Motaba's lethality). On the other hand, Daniels knows the virus must be destroyed. He is waxing rhapsodic about Motaba when a team member asks curtly if Daniels wants to take the virus out to dinner. "No," he replies, "I want to kill it."

I'd love to go on at length about the performances in "Outbreak," but there are too many good ones to do justice. I do want to point out Rene Russo, though. Her role helps prove the argument that Hollywood does not

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## BY THE WAY

March 30: Lecture, "The Beginnings of Feminist Theory: Simone de Beauvoir," by Dr. Craig Vasey, associate professor of philosophy; Trinkle Hall, room 138; 12:30 p.m.; free

April 2: Piano Four-Hand Recital, MWC students with Eva Maria Alexander; GW Hall, Dodd Auditorium; 2 p.m.; free

April 5: Forum, "Race Relations in the 1990s — a Glimpse Through the Eyes of MWC"; Lee Hall; 7 p.m.; free

April 5: Lecture, "Borges and the Writer's Task" by Donald L. Shaw, professor of Spanish at the University of Virginia; Woodard Campus Center, Red Room; 8 p.m.

April 6: Concert, MWC Jazz Ensemble; GW Hall, Dodd Auditorium; 7:30 p.m.; free

April 7-8: Concert, MWC Show Choir "Encore"; GW Hall, Dodd Auditorium; 7:30 p.m.; free

## Local Music Scene

Thursday March 30 - Saturday April 1: Mud Puppies (country), Houston's.

Thursday March 30 - Saturday April 1: The Rubber Band (top 40) George Street Underground.

Thursday March 30: Modern Pilgrims (progressive), Irish Brigade.

Thursday March 30: Soma (Jazzy), Eagles Nest.

Friday March 31: Augustus Gloop (alternative), Sante Fe Bar & Grill.

Friday March 31: Elephant Boy (funky), Irish Brigade.

Friday, Mother Nature (alternative), Mother's.

Saturday April 1: smd, (progressive), Irish Brigade.

## Movies At Dodd

April 1, (10 p.m.) Glory



New York punk band Vitapup will be playing in the Underground with Kaia this Saturday, 7 p.m., for \$1.

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strictly as a volunteer. Like most lawyers in the ACLU, Strossen makes her living through private practice and teaching law. Strossen is currently a professor of law at the New York School of Law.

During her speech, Strossen repeatedly pointed out that the general statement now endorsed by the Constitution concerns equal protection for any "persons," but has never been applied to grant women full equality. Since 1977 no state has voted in favor of ERA.

"Achieving women's equality will be a hard struggle, but I am confident we will prevail," Strossen said.

The struggle has obtained several steps towards the goal. Strossen noted in her speech that the current Supreme Court Justice, Ruth Bader Ginsburg, was a fellow member of the ACLU and was also the founding director of the Women's Rights Project in 1970.

According to Strossen, women gained power from the 1973 *Roe vs. Wade* decision, granting women reproductive freedom under the law.

"Without reproductive freedom, women really do not have control over any aspect of our lives," Strossen said during her speech.

The ACLU is not solely concerned

with women's liberties as they have fought discrimination on all grounds from race to religion and the fundamental first amendment rights.

Strossen expressed concern last week over the city of Fredericksburg's repeated denial to allow MWC students to register to vote. Strossen recommended that MWC students contact the local ACLU chapter located in Richmond, Va.

Geof Hart, newly elected SGA president, has been working on this issue for over a year. He encourages those who have been turned away from the registrar's office to contact him and make their voices heard.

"If the students believe that this is their home and this is where they want to exercise their right to vote, then they have the right and obligation to do so. This is where governmental issues affect us the most," Hart said.

According to Strossen, fighting for equality, whether it is on a national or local level, is a fundamental right students should exercise.

"My hope would be that we would become more and more open-minded. An individual is free to be who he or she wants regardless of gender stereotypes," Strossen said.

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very distant at first to establish the distance between student and teacher. She did not even wear her hair down until she had been teaching for three weeks. "Beginning this week, I'm finally able to relax more," she said.

The progress that Ferguson has made in her role as a teacher is becoming obvious to those observing her. "She's really enthusiastic about student teaching because it gives her an opportunity to pull together everything she's learned at MWC. She's also moving into an adult role and being the person who is responsible for others' growth and development," Zisman said.

Back in the classroom, the day wears on, and classes become more restless. "I wonder what they feed those kids at lunchtime sometimes," Ferguson said. The afternoon class is much livelier from the moment they enter the classroom. This class, unlike the others, is mostly in English. When she does use Spanish, she has to go back and repeat words in English to be sure she is understood.

The class giggles at mistakes, shoots looks back and forth around the room and generally makes as much noise as possible. Some students do not even bother to pay

attention. Ferguson finally stops the class. "All right I know it's Friday, but we've got to get through this," she says. She stands quietly in front of the class, looking hard at the gigglers. "Let's just take a minute and focus. We need to calm down." This is effective for maybe five minutes, then the noise level begins to rise.

"What can I do?" she said. "All I can do is send them to the office, and they don't care, most of them don't want to be here in the first place."

According to Chaves, Ferguson's warmth and personality allows her to improve her teaching methods more and more each day. "She stays cool in difficult situations. She presents the students with new activities and has brought a lot of ideas to the classroom," Chaves said.

Back in the classroom, one boy rubs a piece of paper back and forth across his head, making a scratching noise. Ferguson turns her back on the class to start a video. Another boy stands up and begins to do toe touches. "I gotta stretch out," he said. "A lot of kids honestly don't care," Ferguson said. "That's my biggest problem. I can work with learning disabled kids. I can work with problem kids. It's that complete attitude of 'I don't care' that really

bothers me."

It is the day-to-day problems like this that make Ferguson re-evaluate her decision to teach. Her own experience in high school was so positive that she wanted to try and reach others in the same way. "It's caring for students and letting them know that someone cares about them. It's taking the extra time to do something fun. That's more important than the Spanish," she said.

Ferguson is not sure if she wants to continue her teaching as a career. "You really have to have patience," she said. "I've got patience, but not enough to make it a 20 year career."

Ferguson has applied to several graduate schools to receive her masters degree in speech pathology. Though she has already interviewed with several school systems, Ferguson said if she is accepted to graduate school she will leave teaching behind.

One reason for considering a career other than teaching may be financial. "Teachers just do not get enough respect. They just don't pay you enough to put up with that kind of crap on a day-to-day basis," she said.

As an example, Ferguson points to a teacher who is still at her starting salary of \$21,000 after five years of

teaching. "Even if you have masters degree, that's only \$2,000 a year more. It's almost not worth it," she said.

In contrast to this, she said, speech pathologists can make up to \$60 an hour. "Does that motivate you? It motivates me!" she laughs.

But it is not just the money. "It's still teaching, but in a rehab setting. That's me and a kid, one-on-one, in an office," she said. Speech pathologists work with children with birth defects, learning disabilities, stroke victims, and others, according to Ferguson.

"Teachers just get burned out so fast. I think it's because they have so much to deal with at once, every day. Speech pathology is a little more measured, spaced out. It's more helping, less baby-sitting," Ferguson said.

In spite of all this, Ferguson thinks she would still like to teach for a year or so. "I feel like I have to, because it's just something I've wanted to do for so long," she said. After that, Ferguson will move on to the calmer, more lucrative world of speech pathology. "Mom always said I was a good talker," she laughs.

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team that is so young.

"I have to remind [the younger players] that they are that good," Williams said, meaning good enough to beat some older, more experienced teams.

Williams not only sees her job as helping the Eagles to win this season, but to help them build for the future as well.

"I want us to play well, to do the best that we can. [I also] want to get the most out of the team...to help them work together and build for the future," Williams said. She turns to perennial Division III powerhouse Trenton State as an example.

"They aren't the most talented team, but the way they all work together and focus on the basics makes them a great team," said Williams. She is touching upon the concept of team synergy, the idea that the sum of a good team's parts is greater than the whole.

"She's our soft-spoken leader. We know she means business when she talks," said freshman pitcher/first baseman Nicki Patton.

Williams is a four-year starter here at Mary Washington, but she is quick to point out that not everyone can be so fortunate.

"A lot of players come here that were stars in high school, but I have to remind them that high school is different [from college]. I have to get them to work hard," said Williams.

Williams followed her own example during her freshman year in high school when she passed up what would have been a limited role on her high school varsity team in order to play more and gain experience on the junior varsity. She has been in a key starting role ever since.

"I thought it would be more beneficial [to play more]," Williams said.

Indeed the college game is different from the high school game.

"In college, there is much going on. It is important to put it all aside [at game time], but also during practice, [I have to] take one thing at a time," said Williams.

Williams realizes that there is life after intercollegiate athletics. She starts graduate school at George Mason on May 22, just a couple of weeks after completing her undergraduate studies here at Mary Washington. She will pursue a master's degree in business and finance.

She also expressed an interest in pursuing a coaching career.

"I would like to try it with a younger team," Williams said, "at below the high school level. I would like to make sure that they learn the right fundamentals and that they get their attitudes straight." If she gets that in mind, there is no doubt that she will be as successful at teaching softball as she has been at playing it.

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competition," Richardson said. "We turned in some good performances."

The women's team performed admirably and placed in several individual and relay events. The women's team would have finished in the upper half of the competition had the meet been scored.

"Overall the team ran well and well together," junior Lisa Van Bourgondien said. "Three people almost broke school records."

The 3200-meter relay team of senior Etta Agan, junior Allison Coleman, sophomore Moraima Santiago and freshman Caitlin Jenkins, 10:20.9, posted an impressive first place victory. Also nabbing first place was the distance medley relay team of Santiago, Jenkins, sophomore Megan Cahill, and freshman Caitlin McGurk, 13:38.8.

The 400-meter relay team of senior Christine Redmon, junior Rebecca Silverman, sophomore Myra Simpson, and freshman Jill Fultz, 52.29, finished third.

Van Bourgondien placed second in the high jump, 4-10, and also ran a leg on the third place 1600-meter

relay team along with Santiago, Cahill and Sullivan, 4:22.85. Sullivan also placed third in the 400-meter hurdles, 1:11.9.

Perhaps the most impressive efforts of the day came from Simpson. She turned in three tough performances placing second in the triple, 36-2, and long, 16-2 3/4, jumps behind Frostburg State leaper Kristal Yates. Simpson was slightly edged in the 100-meter hurdles event, 16.01.

Injuries to members of both the men's and women's team most likely hurt the Eagles this past weekend.

"We still have a little ways to go. I'm concerned about a few injuries on both the men's and women's teams," Soper said. "We have a couple people banged up right now."

Although not statistically impressive, the performances of the Eagles during the Battleground Relays coupled with the return of a few injured team members, hopefully, will push MWC over the top during the CAC championship meet.

"We are thin in terms of numbers, due to injuries, but I think we'll do well for the CAC meet on April 19," said Simpson.

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Shumake and Jen Wassif also added goals. Wassif was also a key contributor on defense, recording eight ground balls and three interceptions.

Hallowes now leads MWC in scoring with 18 points (13 goals, five assists), followed by Huber with 16 (14 goals, five assists) and Barber with 15 points (11 goals, two assists).

Hall cited an increased confidence level, especially impressive in a team with no seniors, as a factor in the most successful (5-1) start in program history. This confidence is making the difference in close games.

"We're playing the very strong teams in the country," said Hall. "Our one loss came to a team (Lynchburg) that if we played again we could beat them. The loss just came early in the season and we made some mistakes."

The next test will be when the Eagles travel to No. 5-ranked Roanoke Saturday at 1 p.m.

"Everyone who is out there wants to be out there and we're building, it's a young team," added Barber. "There's a lot of team unity. Everyone is working to a common goal."

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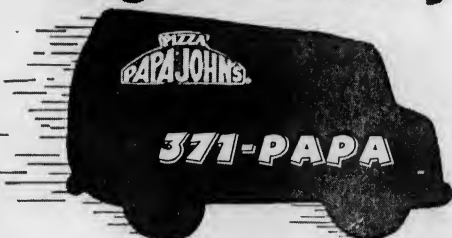
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but that's only because he had to do quite a quick makeover to get into his role as Rapunzel's prince, which brings me to the actual performance itself.

Like I said before, the play was outstanding. Because the cast was extremely large, I'm only going to mention the six major characters, the Baker, the Baker's wife, Little Red Riding Hood, the Witch, Cinderella, Jack, and the two princes. Let's start with the character who stole the show, the Witch (I know some of you were expecting me to name Milky-White as the best character, but let's face it, when push comes to shove, cows just can't deliver). Sheri Dawn Hayden's performance was brilliant, to say the least. Hayden's stage presence was astounding, she basically controlled the tempo of the play. Her song, "The Last Midnight" literally blew my mind; she created a tension which, if I had been prepared, I would have brought a knife to cut through it -- that and the fog spreading throughout the crowd. In essence, without Hayden's strong performance, the show would not have been the same.

However, the Witch wasn't the only notable performance, just the

most outstanding. The two princes (yes, like the song) put on quite a show as well. Their rendition of "Agony" was hilarious, sending this critic into fits of laughter. While Rapunzel's prince was both enjoyable and strong, the performance given by Kevin Perry was priceless, at times nearly stealing the show from Hayden. Perry's presence was unparalleled. When he was on stage, he owned it, and played his part with an abandon which is rarely seen on stage. Oh yeah, he was also totally ridiculous, which is exactly what his part entailed.

Two other noteworthy performances were chummed out by the Baker and his loving wife. Portrayed by John Hollinger and Barbara Craig, respectively, the Baker's performance as a desperate family in search for a child, was the main catalyst for the plot. While Hollinger's performance was good, it in no way matched that of Craig's. When I looked in her eyes, I could actually see into her character, which is rare. I could tell she was suffering from exhaustion, sorrow, and grief for not being able to bear a child. Her affair with Cinderella's prince was a

classic, as was her song with the prince "Any Moment."

Both Little Red Riding Hood and Jack gave outstanding performances as well, however they appeared too one dimensional. I enjoyed Mary-Tyler E. Upshaw's Little Red Riding Hood, but I was a disappointed with Jack. He played his part well, but lacked the charismatic flair to make a definite impression, as did Cinderella. Kelley Spence had a beautiful voice, but gave a lack-luster performance. She seemed more concerned about remembering her lines than she was delivering them.

Everything else about the play was sensational. Chris Kilmartin's portrayal of the narrator was decent, however seemed to be trying to relax, which only made him look tense. But he gave a strong performance (at least drama guru Mike Beck thought so) and maybe it was his looks, but Kilmartin reminded me of Dennis Hopper on several occasions.

Above all, and I've stated this several thousand times, "Into the Woods" was remarkable. Director Gregg Stull did an outstanding job in bringing the cast together and putting on a fine show, as did Milky-White.

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a well-told story and lets the reader do the interpretation.

Above all else Forché's poetry is political. She said that the dichotomy between poetry and politics is imaginary. "After I published 'The Country Between Us' there was a lot of debate as to whether politics belongs in poetry and vice-versa. I hated that," she said.

Forché is also notable for her humanitarian work. In her two years in El Salvador she got involved with a number of humanitarian groups, and she recently put together a collection of poetry entitled "Against Forgetting: Twentieth Century Poetry of Witness." This book contains poems from around the world that focus on the themes of politics and struggle.

In addition to this compilation, Forché also has three books of original poetry now in print: "The Angel of History," "The Country Between Us," and "Gathering the Tribes."

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have great parts for woman. As Daniels ex-wife, Robby Keough, however, Russo does something admirable. She finds a way to take a fairly stock character and make it something special. Russo brings across the toughness and determination of someone who could handle a viral outbreak while still remaining human. Too many women's parts call for either flowery femininity or outright bitchiness. Russo finds a middle ground that seems real. That's all an audience can ask for.

On to other wonderful aspects of an outstanding movie. Barring some cheesy blue-screen helicopter shots, the camera work in "Outbreak" is great. Not only is it visually effective, but it helps tell the story better and it's flat-out fun. Whether the camera is cruising through an air vent,

following a sneeze, or shooting an edge-of-your-seat helicopter chase through a canyon everything seems to be done exactly as it should be.

Lastly, "Outbreak" achieves a perfect balance between humor and the story it's telling. This could have easily been the most depressing, horrible movie ever made. I mean you're dealing with a viral outbreak and people are dying left and right. Fortunately the script is not afraid to let humor and irony make appearances to lighten a dark subject. The script is one of the most balanced I've ever seen in a movie.

"Outbreak" is a great film. I came out of the theater thinking it's the kind of movie that makes me love movies. So go see it. Just don't get too paranoid if the person next to you starts coughing.

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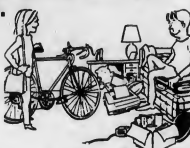
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